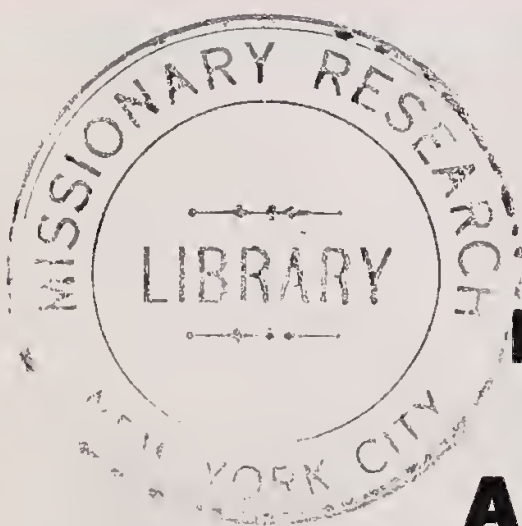


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The offering at the James Memorial Chapel service on Sunday morning, February 25th, will be devoted to the Japan International Christian University. Gifts for this purpose may also be sent through the Comptroller's office.





# A Venture In International Goodwill

## Is A Dream Coming True?

One of America's wisest Christian leaders recently said:

"If Japan is not to succumb to totalitarian ideologies, whether right or left, there must be a new generation of leaders who understand democratic principles, and are trained to operate under them. *This proposed university* will help to produce these leaders and at the same time it will give them Christianity which I believe is the only sound basis for democracy."

This statement by the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, D.D., one time Bishop in Japan, and until recently Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, expresses the hope of citizens in Japan as well as the United States. For fifty years leaders of Protestant Churches in both countries have dreamed of this university. Two world wars and a world-wide depression have deferred action. But the dream has persisted.

## The Time To Act Is Now

In the light of conditions in Japan this is the opportune moment of history. A destructive war, total defeat, and occupation by a foreign power have undermined Japan's feudal structure. Disillusionment prevails. The shock of betrayal by their leaders is bitter. The old framework of politics and education, by which those who governed were able to manipulate and deceive the governed, is being radically revised. There is a mood of expectancy, especially among students now filling to capacity the colleges and universities of the country. Conditions are fluid. Men and women are eager, restless. They will not linger long at the crossroads.

The present conflict in Korea, whatever its outcome, cannot alter these facts. It can only accentuate the urgency of carrying out promptly the plans that will make possible the establishment of this university.

In Japan's present social situation there are dangerous as well as promising potentials. Those subtle deceivers of men's hopes, communism and fascism, lurk in the dark corners. Thanks to the magnanimity and statesmanship of General MacArthur, events are taking the course of peaceful democratic revolution—peaceful, to be sure, but still a revolution. New patterns that would normally evolve only through generations, are now being worked out in as many years. These patterns point clearly to a democratic society, sustained and enlightened by free education. Into this situation the International Christian University fits perfectly.

## And What Is This Project?

It is a project to establish a great university in Japan. This university will set high scholastic standards. It will do so in an atmosphere of freedom, democracy, practical internationalism, and applied Christianity. Its aim will be to train leaders who can direct Japan's present revolutionary shift from authoritarian to free institutions—leaders with the wisdom and courage to keep that revolution peaceful and democratic.

In the beginning it will include a college of liberal arts, and graduate schools in three fields, (1) education, (2) public affairs, and (3) social work. Other departments will be added as funds become available. In Japan there are no graduate schools as we know them. This university will, therefore, offer to young men and women graduating from Japan's colleges and universities, an opportunity to secure competent professional training (1) as teachers and administrators in the new system of free education, (2) as civil servants in an emerging democratic government, and (3) as social workers in a complex and swiftly changing social order.



*ICU site at Mitaka which has been purchased by funds raised by the Japanese people. Existing buildings, constructed for use as a war-time training school for Japanese military aviators, will be converted into classroom and administration building, a physical education and recreation center.*

## This Is A People's Project

While the university has the endorsement of high government officials in the United States and Japan, it is a project of the people. It is not officially inspired. It is not supported by government grants.

During these critical years of military occupation of Japan by the United States, it is our responsibility as American citizens to see that cooperation between the two countries is not confined to official acts. Official cooperation is essential—without it, in the economic realm, the whole prospect in Japan would be gloomy, indeed—but there are things government cannot do. The gift of a university that rests solidly on democratic principles and the Christian faith, must come from us. If we now respond to our humanitarian impulses and make this university possible, the act will be a memorable expression of our good will towards a recent foe. It will prove to the Japanese people that we, as well as our government, are concerned with their struggle to rebuild their broken life.

In this spirit most of the large and many of the smaller denominations of American Protestantism have united in a common effort to secure the funds necessary to build the university. The Mission Boards of these churches have already contributed \$1,100,000 to the project. A nation-wide drive is now in progress to raise \$10,000,000 from the American people, one half for construction and one half for endowment.

## What The Japanese People Have Done

Once it became clear that this project was now being taken up in earnest, the Japanese people acted promptly. A nation-wide campaign for funds was organized and within two months more than 155,000,000 yen (\$420,000) was subscribed, nearly 95 percent of it by non-Christians. This sum may seem small but in relation to the national income of the Japanese people it is approximately twelve times greater than is \$10,000,000 in relation to the national income of the American people.

## An International Center of Learning

From the outset the personnel of the faculty will be international. About one half will be selected from Western countries. The student body will, of course, be predominantly Japanese, but it is the definite aim to attract students from other parts of the world in order to make it genuinely international. All students and faculty members will live on the campus. This will offer a rare opportunity to practice democratic cooperative living in a small international community. The university will provide unusual advantages to Occidental students who are interested in living in an Eastern environment while they pursue their studies. To those interested in studying Oriental culture, the advantages are equally obvious. It is expected that a few scholarships will be available for such students.

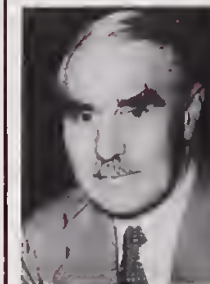
## Will This University Compete With Others?

There are a score or more of government universities in Japan as well as a dozen colleges established by Christian Missions. But, there is no graduate university such as is now contemplated. One of the primary functions of the International Christian University will be to train the professional leadership now so urgently needed throughout Japan's radically reformed educational system, from the primary to the college and university level.

In meeting that need, this new university will neither supplant nor compete with existing institutions; on the contrary it will serve and supplement them.



New Japan needs new Japanese, both men and women. These can only be produced by new education. ICU stands for this new education. It is uniquely international in composition, intercultural in its community atmosphere, interracial in its ecumenical fellowship, and definitely Christian in principle and practice.  
**HACHIRO YUASA**  
President of International Christian University



We propose an institution so constituted and so staffed that by example its students will find in the Christian and democratic way of life a pattern of living that they will accept as their own.  
**JOSEPH C. GREW**  
Farmer Ambassador to Japan  
National Chairman,  
ICU Fund Campaign

# THIS UNIVERSITY WILL BE —

A GESTURE OF GOODWILL; a token of America's friendliness toward a one-time enemy.

A SOURCE OF STRENGTH AND INSPIRATION to the program of reconstruction and reform now in progress in Japan; a program that will help make Japanese society secure against the forces of violent revolution that threaten our world.

A MEANS OF UNDERGIRDING AND REVITALIZING the whole system of Christian education in Japan, a system that has been bulding for 90 years, in which almost 100,000 young persons are enrolled.

A NOTABLE EXPERIMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION which will provide Japan with its first genuinely international university; its first Christian, but non-sectarian graduate university with graduate schools of education, public affairs and social work; its first truly liberal arts curriculum; and its first opportunity for community life for students and faculty on a university campus.

A FACILITY FOR THE STUDY of Oriental culture, language and history that will be available to students from all countries, and will be under the direction of an international faculty.

AN EVIDENCE OF AMERICA'S CONCERN for the development of Japan as a democratic nation, and a demonstration of interest in the efforts of the Japanese people to build their society on a sure foundation; a sound and sensible plan, arrived at after years of deliberation, looking toward cooperation of East and West in the furtherance of such objectives.





## THIS UNIVERSITY CONCERNS YOU

As already indicated, this project has stirred great expectations in Japan. The Japanese people are doing their part.

The question now is, will we do ours? And more specifically, will you who read this do yours?

No group in this country should understand better what this university will mean to Japan than the men and women in our American colleges and universities; nor should any group see more clearly its implications for Christian and international behavior.

A drive to secure funds for the International Christian University will be conducted during this academic year on every American campus. Whether your students and faculty respond by giving \$500 or \$5,000, a share of the response lies with you. Let your response be two-fold—give to the fund, and work for the drive on your campus.



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